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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

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Science Board to the Food and Drug Administration: Request for Nominations

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is requesting nominations to serve on the Science Board to FDA (Science Board).

FDA seeks to include the views of women and men, members of all racial and ethnic groups, and individuals with and without disabilities on its advisory committees and, therefore, encourages nominations of appropriately qualified candidates from these groups.

DATES: Nominations received on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER], will be given first consideration for membership on the Science Board. Nominations received after [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER], will be considered for nomination to the Board should nominees still be needed.

ADDRESSES: You may submit your information by logging into the FDA advisory Committee Membership Nomination Portal:

https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/FACTRSPortal/FACTRS/index.cfm or by mail to Advisory Committee Oversight and Management Staff, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 32, rm. 5103, Silver Spring, MD 20993-0002. Information about becoming a member on an FDA

advisory committee can also be obtained by visiting FDA's Web site at <a href="http://www.fda.gov/AdvisoryCommittees/default.htm">http://www.fda.gov/AdvisoryCommittees/default.htm</a>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Martha Monser, Office of the Chief Scientist, Food and Drug Administration, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 32, rm. 4286, Silver Spring, MD 20993-0002, 301-796-4627, email: <a href="martha.monser@fda.hhs.gov">martha.monser@fda.hhs.gov</a>. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FDA is requesting nominations to the Science Board.

The Science Board will meet approximately three times a year. All meetings will be announced in the Federal Register at least 15 days prior to each public meeting.

#### I. General Function of the Committee

The Science Board shall provide advice primarily to the Commissioner and other appropriate officials on specific complex scientific and technical issues important to FDA and its mission, including emerging issues within the scientific community. Additionally, the Science Board will provide advice that supports the Agency in keeping pace with technical and scientific developments, including in regulatory science; and input into the Agency's research agenda; and on upgrading its scientific and research facilities and training opportunities. It will also provide, where requested, expert review of Agency sponsored intramural and extramural scientific research programs.

#### II. Desired Expertise

FDA is specifically seeing persons knowledgeable in the fields of food science, safety, and nutrition; chemistry; pharmacology; translational and clinical medicine and research; toxicology; biostatistics; medical devices; imaging; robotics; cell and tissue based products; regenerative medicine; public health and epidemiology; international health and regulation;

product safety; product manufacturing sciences and quality; and other scientific areas relevant to FDA regulated products such as systems biology, informatics, nanotechnology, combination products and relevant areas of behavioral and social science. Members shall be chosen from academia and industry. The Science Board may also include technically qualified federal members.

### III. Nomination Procedures

Any interested person may nominate one or more qualified individuals for membership on the Science Board. Self-nominations are also accepted. Nominations must include a current, complete resume or curriculum vitae for each nominee, including a current business address and/or home address, telephone number, and email address if available. Nominations must also acknowledge that the nominee is aware of the nomination unless self-nominated. FDA will ask potential candidates to provide detailed information concerning such matters related to financial holdings, employment, and research grants and/or contracts to permit evaluation of possible sources of conflicts of interest.

This notice is issued under the Federal Advisory Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2) and 21 CFR part 14, relating to advisory committees.

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